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report, two pages, on the Kummersdorf construction site. The report gives information on the following: (1) Cleared areas, (2) Rail siding, (3) Sheds and buildings (4) Security patrols, and (5) Supplies. A sketch showing the cleared areas and other installations is also included.

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EAST GERMANY/U.S.S.R.AIRKUMMERSDORF Construction Site : General Situationas on 1st March 1959

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Appendix: Attached at Appendix "A" is an overlay to GERMANY 1:25000 [redacted] showing the extent of clearance and other features of the KUMMERSDORF construction site as on 1st March 1959.

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1. The area shown in the overlay at Appendix "A" as enclosed by the continuous line (1) has been thoroughly and carefully cleared of all vegetation and debris and levelled. A wider area, shown at Appendix "A" as enclosed on the south, west and north sides by the broken line (2), has also been cleared of vegetation and levelled; however, uprooted scrub and other debris have been left scattered about, and the levelling has only been roughly carried out (as distinct from the careful clearance and flattening of the ground within the smaller area). This roughly cleared and levelled area does not appear to have any definite eastern boundary.

2. Felling and clearance of the larger trees is also currently in progress in the area between M.R. 878781 and the eastern shore of HEEGE SEE, and in the area to the south of HEEGE SEE: young conifer plantations in these areas are, however, being left standing.

3. A standard gauge rail siding has been completed, running from SPERENBERG LAGER to M.R. 842784, and following the approximate route shown at (3) in Appendix "A".

4. Shown at (4) in Appendix "A" is an area measuring approximately 300 m. x 300 m. in which 12 m. wide swathes have been cut through the conifer plantations in north - south and east - west directions, with about 40 m. between each swathe. The purpose of these is not known.

5. Shown at (5) in Appendix "A" is the approximate lie of three 3 m. wide strips running westwards as shown from approx. M.R. 883767, from which all shrubs and saplings have been uprooted and cleared away.

6. At approx. M.R. 825777 (fig. (6) in App. "A") are four single storey buildings, comprising a wooden hut, 30 x 12 m., in which [redacted] are accommodated; a brick building 10 x 12 m., used as an office; and two wooden sheds 25 x 10 m., used as garages and material stores. Scattered around the area surrounding these buildings are further hut components, reinforcing rods, wooden planks, posts etc. and all forms of construction materials and equipment.

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7. At approx. M.R. 842765 (fig. (7) in App. "A") is a 4 m. high recently erected signpost, pointing in a north-easterly direction; painted in white on a green background, on one side is "13 B", and on the other side, "150".

8. At approx. M.R. 847776 (fig. (8) in App. "A") a transformer building completed in November/December 1958 is now in operation.

9. The narrow gauge railway formerly running from SPERENBERG LAGER westwards to the construction site has now been taken up, and the component parts removed to the main construction site.

10. Access to the site is controlled by motor-cycle patrols operated from four East German police posts set up (a) on the SCHARFENBRÜCK road at approx. M.R. 810769 (b) on the SCHONEWEIDE road at approx. M.R. 830749 (c) south west of KUMMERSDORF at approx. M.R. 856796 and (d) at the entrance to SPERENBERG LAGER, approx. M.R. 870785.

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11. Supplies for the site have continued to arrive at SPERENBERG LAGER at the rate of 8 to 12 [] a day; these have consisted mainly of ballast, cement, chalk, wood, iron girders, and occasionally rails and sleepers.

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APPENDIX "A"

KUMMERSDORF CONSTRUCTION SITE - 1st March 1959

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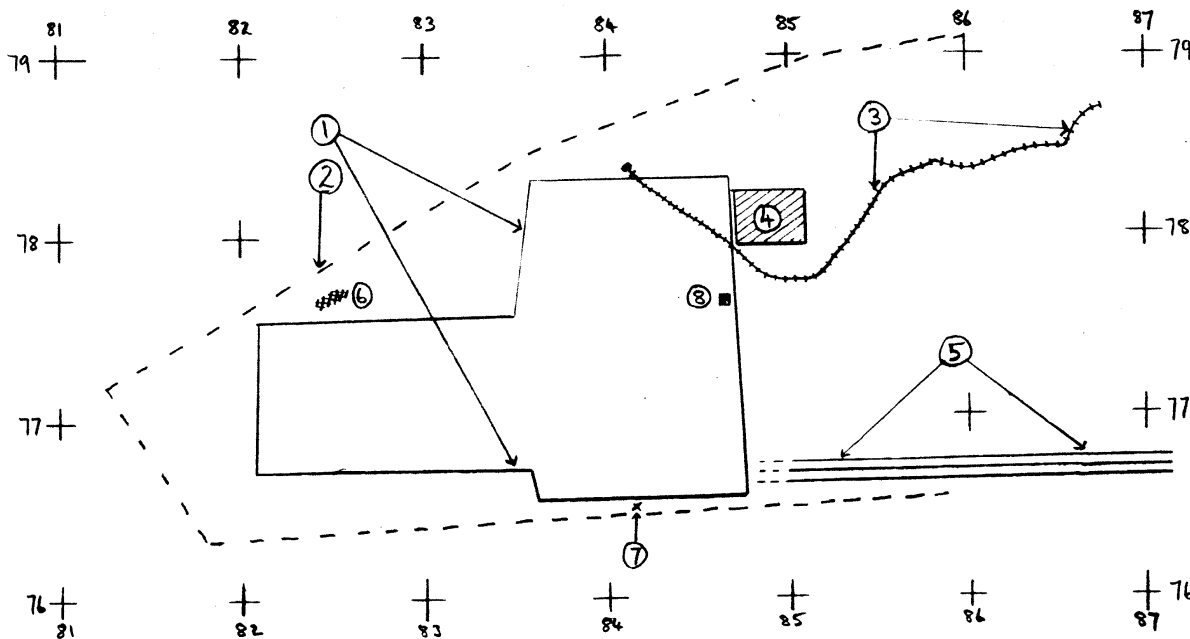
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